

# CORKUM KEEPS UP HIS SWIFT GAIT

## Highliner Has Fine Fare at Newport—Caught Off Lightship.

Steamer Lois H. Corkum, Capt. William Corkum, high line of the southern mackerel fleet, is keeping up her speed, arriving this morning at Newport with another fine fare of 15,000 fresh mackerel, caught off the South Shoal lightship. Sch. Nellie Dixon, Capt. James Ellis, also made a haul at the same time, according to the Times correspondent at Newport.

The arrivals in detail:  
Seiners.

Str. Lois H. Corkum, Capt. William Corkum, 15,000 fresh mackerel.

Netters.

Julia, 600 fresh mackerel.  
Julietta, 200 fresh mackerel.  
Mabel E. Leavitt, 1000 fresh mackerel.

Aquidneck, 800 fresh mackerel.  
Little Sammy, 1900 fresh mackerel.  
Priscilla, 600 fresh mackerel.  
Monmouth, 400 fresh mackerel.  
Lafayette, 1200 fresh mackerel.  
Mertis H. Perry, 1800 fresh mackerel.

Alice, 1900 fresh mackerel.  
Miriam, 800 fresh mackerel.  
Irene, 1600 fresh mackerel.  
Lizie Foster, 800 fresh mackerel.  
Louise, 1400 fresh mackerel.  
Guysuta, 3400 fresh mackerel.  
Morgan, 500 fresh mackerel.  
Maxwell, 1600 fresh mackerel.  
Sarah, 1700 fresh mackerel.  
W. H. Clements, 1800 fresh mackerel.  
The Halifax Herald of Saturday says:

Ten mackerel were reported at Prospect this morning, the first advance guard of what is hoped is the army that will soon follow. The old fishermen who generally know all about it say that 1915 is going to be a banner year for mackerel. The good weather that is promised will favor the fishermen and also that the backward spring is always good for the mackerel fishermen. It would seem, therefore, that it would be good policy for the mackerel nets to be put out in good quantities in the next week or two. General trade is dull and depressed, owing in a great degree to a lack of stock, but this should now soon be remedied.

## NO WORD FROM MISSING FISHER

Sch. Patriot arrived at Boston this morning with her flag half-mast for the loss of Charles Antone, one of the three men who strayed from the craft recently, the two others reaching land, and has not been heard from. It is feared that Antone was either swamped in his dory or perished from exhaustion, although there is a remote chance that he was picked up by some passing craft. The missing man is single and boarded in this city.

# CAPE NORTH FLEET HAD HARD TIME

## Capt. McDonald Reports Three Are Caught in Ice at Pleasant Bay.

The Cape North fleet has been having a hard time of it, it would appear, according to advices brought by Capt. Daniel McDonald and crew of sch. Oriole, which arrived during the night from a seven weeks halibuting trip.

Schs. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Carlin Olson and Athlete, Capt. Thomas Benham, were caught in the ice at Pleasant Bay, and were held there for a while, while none of the fleet reached the islands early this year.

The Oriole was held up four weeks in the Gulf, waiting for the ice to clear at the Magdalens, before the craft was able to get there. Two weeks ago Monday, the craft and 18 others baited and sailed.

The Oriole made two sets in the Gulf, but did nothing. She was more successful on Quero, however, taking 10,000 pounds fresh halibut, 3000 pounds fitches and 35,000 pounds salt codfish on the trip.

Sch. Athlete, Capt. Benham, one of the crafts caught in the ice, is reported to have taken 160,000 pounds salt cod on the "Peak."

The Oriole had an eventful trip, rescuing the half starved crew of the American three-masted coasting sch. Herald of New York, April 8, about 12 miles west of Seal Island, after the craft had been water logged. Capt. McDonald took them into Liverpool, and continued on his trip. The Oriole brought home some of the rigging, which was taken from the stranded craft.

# CRAFT RUN INTO OFF CHATHAM

The Provincetown schooner Natalie B. Nelson, Capt. Antone White, which arrived at the new fish pier, South Boston, this morning, reports being in collision with an unknown fishing schooner down off Chatham, Saturday night.

It was foggy at the time and the unknown craft grazed across the Nelson's bow, taking away the latter's bowsprit, stays and part of her rigging. Neither skipper or crew were able to learn the identity of the craft, although it is the impression that she was a Portuguese fisherman.

## Gone to Canso, N. S.

Capt. Henry W. Curtis left yesterday for Canso, N. S., in the interests of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, where he will be located for a number of weeks, purchasing fish.

## Port aux Basques Weather.

Port aux Basques weather report today: Temperature 44, rainy; wind east, 8.16 miles.

## Porto Rico Fish Market.

San Juan, P. R., May 11.—Our last letter was dated the 4th inst., since when arrivals of fishstuffs at the various ports were as follows:

Ex strs. Carolina and Borinquen from New York: At San Juan, 50 tcs. cod; at Ponce, 135 tcs. cod, 45 tcs. pollock, 28 pkgs. fish; at Mayaguez, 20 tcs. cod, 10 tcs. pollock, 25 tcs. fish; at Arroyo, 10 tcs. fish, 95 bxs. salmon.

Ex British sch. Mayola from Lunenburg, N. S. At Ponce, 290 tcs. and 100 bxs. cod, 200 bbls. split herring.

Codfish—Our markets are showing more firmness, as was to be expected in view of the moderate arrivals. Actual sales of Nova Scotia medium codfish ex. sch. Mayola are recorded at \$29 per cask of 448 lbs., this being the average quotation ruling at the various island markets. The tendency, however, is of a further improvement in values.

Pollock and haddock—There is no change to report in the quotations of \$23.50 to \$24 per drum of 448 lbs. on basis "net ex. wharf" given last week. Stocks are light and the demand is fair.—S. Ramirez & Co.

## Harbored at North Sidney.

Three Gloucester fishing vessels, the schs. Bay State, Smuggler and Stiletto, and seven Newfoundland vessels are in port at North Sydney. The American vessels are in for ice and supplies but will go to the Magdalene Islands for bait. The Newfoundlanders will take bait at North Sydney as well as ice and supplies. All the skippers report good fishing.—Sydney Post, May 21.

## Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Oriole sold to the American Halibut Company for 12 cents per pound for white and eight cents for gray.

# HERRING HAULS AT PORTLAND

As was predicted by the local fishermen the warmer weather of the two days has brought the herring to the surface, the water around Portland lightship being literally a catch with them Monday. Several catches were made and landed at Central Wharf Cold Storage Plant, banner catch of all being made by little steamer Alice, Capt. George H. she hailing for 240 barrels, all could carry, her deck being full well as the hold. The Alice is equipped with gear and the skipper generally makes a good haul where there are any fish around. The boats landing herring were the William R. Hearst, with 40 barrels, P. tooset with 110, and the Morning Star with 57 barrels. Now that the ring have put in an appearance of a fleet will start out from Portland and Gloucester in search of them, fish being in great demand for the storage plants on Central wharf, hopeful of filling the freezers to full capacity. Several of the fleet, including the steamer Nave were hunting for herring Monday the vicinity of Gloucester and were wired to return here at once. A fleet of at least a dozen vessels went from Portland Tuesday morning in search of herring. With one or two exceptions all of the crafts which have been netting out of Portland during the spring hauled off Monday change their gear after which they will join the others seining for herring.

# SALT DRIFTING SURELY PAY

Another good stock from a drifting trip is that of sch. Helen Wells, Capt. Alex Surrette, one of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries company boats. This craft on Monday's trip stock \$1870.64, and the high line share was \$60.78.

The total stock of the five vessels which comprise the salt drifting fleet on the first trip was \$9851, which is much higher than last year. Should the price of fresh drift fish continue low, and the salt drifters continue to get good trips, it is probable that most of the "fresh" vessels will change over to "salt."

## Jacobs Going in the Bethulia.

Capt. Solomon Jacobs is fitting steamer Bethulia for seining. The steamer is on Parkhurst's railway this morning.

## Bort aux Basque Weather.

Port aux Basques weather report today: Temperature 40, foggy; southwest, 8.4 miles an hour.



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# QUOTE LARGE COD \$2 TODAY

**New Fish Pier Has Few  
Fares and Fish Are Most-  
ly New.**

Boston's fleet of arrivals this morning consisted of seven fleet of sail, all at the new pier. The best fare was that of sch. Lucania, which hailed for 62,000 pounds mixed fish, while the Harriett was next with 60,000 pounds. The total receipts of the morning was 240,000 pounds.

Wholesale dealers paid \$3 to \$4 a hundred for haddock, \$4 for large and \$2 for market cod, \$1 to \$2 for hake, \$1.25 for pollock and \$1 for cusk.

## Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

### ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.

Sch. Louisa R. Sylvia 17,000 haddock 2000 cod.  
Sch. Valerie, 18,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 3500 pollock.  
Sch. Lucania 20,000 haddock 42,000 cod.  
Sch. Josephine DeCosta 12,000 haddock 20,000 cod.  
Sch. Harriet 400 haddock 6500 cod 24,000 hake, 24,000 cusk, 5000 pollock.  
Sch. Rover, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. W. M. Goodspeed 20,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 2000 cusk.  
Haddock, \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$2; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock \$1.25; cusk, \$1.

# REPORT STRAITS FULL OF ICE

A dispatch from Port Hastings says there are 38 sail in Port Hawkesbury bound to Magdalens. The straits are reported full of ice.

Sch. A. Platt Andrew, Capt. Wallace Bruce; sch. Imperator, Capt. William Pirih; sch. Premier, Capt. Al Reynolds of the Cape North shacking fleet were in Canso Saturday. Sch. Flora L. Oliver sailed from there the same day.  
Sch. Corona and sch. Fannie A. Smith of the Cape Shore mackerel fleet were in Liverpool, N. S., Saturday.

## Bait and Ice Report.

Souris, May 22.—North and east coast now practically free of ice; herring plentiful in Georgetown and Murray Harbor; herring traps go out Monday at Souris.  
Queensport, May 22.—Herring plentiful today.  
Amherst Harbor, May 22.—No ice in sight, herring at Etangdunord and Grandentry in traps, none at Amherst, Windstone or at House Harbor.

## Gone Seining.

Capt. William Foley will sail today on sch. Nellie T. Gaskell on a mackerel seining trip.

# THE POLLOCKERS HAD 50,000 LBS.

**Steamers Report That Her-  
ring Seem to Have Dis-  
appeared Up This Way.**

The pollock seiners landed about 50,000 pounds yesterday, but no herring was reported by the incoming little steamers. The fish seem to have disappeared temporarily but are reported to be showing up again down off Portland where the boats took some Monday night.

The gill netters landed about 10,000 pounds mixed fish yesterday afternoon, some of which went to the splitters. There was also some fish which came down to split, while sch. Albert W. Black from down east brought in 60,000 pounds this morning.

## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Anna T., seining, 10,000 lbs. fresh pollock.  
Str. Herbert and Emma, seining, 7000 lbs. fresh pollock.  
Str. Water Witch, seining, 20,000 lbs. fresh pollock.  
Str. Bessie A., seining, 10,000 lbs. fresh pollock.  
Str. Julia May, gill netting, 2300 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Quartette, gill netting, 2700 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 1600 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Medomak, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Aspinet, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Albert W. Black, Maine coast, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Patriot, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Good Luck, via Boston, 23,000 lbs. fresh fish.

## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Ethel B. Penny, haddocking.  
Sch. James and Esther, haddocking.  
Sch. Pythian, Cape Shore mackerel seining.  
Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, seining.  
Sch. Alice, drifting.  
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, Cape Porpoise.

## TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

### Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.  
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.  
Drift codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.  
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Hake, \$1.50.  
Haddock, \$1.75.  
Pollock, \$1.75.

## Fresh Fish.

### Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.  
Western cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.60; snappers, 75c.  
Eastern cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.  
Drift codfish, large, \$2; medium, \$1.60.  
All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.  
Peak cod, \$1.80 for large; medium, \$1.40.  
Hake, \$1.  
Cusk, large, \$1.50; medium, \$1.10; snappers, 50c.  
Shore pollock, round, 90c; dressed, \$1.

Fresh halibut 12c per lb. for white, 8c for gray.

Fresh herring, \$2.50 per bbl. for bait, \$2 to freeze; \$1.50 to salt.

## Still Ice at Newfoundland.

The Northern part of the Island, that is from Baccalieu to White Bay, is still sealed up by an ice blockade, and Northern trade will, therefore, be much later than usual this year. From present indications, it will be well along to the first of June before the men of Notre Dame Bay reach St. John's. But their trade will be worth while when it reaches the city. There have been a good many seals taken by landmen, both in Notre Dame Bay and White Bay this spring, and the pit prop money, earned both in Notre Dame Bay and Bonavista Bay the past winter, will aggregate a goodly sum. On the whole, the spring trade ought to be fair this year, but it will extend over a larger period than usual.—St. John's Trade Review.

## Not Keen for Labrador.

There is nobody very keen on supplying for the Labrador fishery this spring, and we would not be surprised to see the outfit for that fishery the smallest within the memory of the present generation, says the St. John's Trade Review. Even in the best times the Labrador voyage has not been a very paying venture, and the position seems to be going from bad to worse in recent years. The use of traps has increased the element of gambling and risk incident to the business, and the men do not seem inclined to pursue the voyage after the trapping season is over. Trap fishing has spoiled the quality of the catch, as well as the men, by producing the maximum of small fish, and making for congested curing periods and generally poor make.

At this writing, the members of the Legislature are still hammering away at a bill to make a uniform price for fish shipped abroad direct from the Labrador Coast. The somewhat elastic expression, "current price," has been doing service for years, but, while theoretically correct, it has never worked out correctly in practice. A board to definitely fix current Labrador price is projected in the bill now under discussion, but nothing satisfactory can come of it till there is a proper definition of what constitutes "Labrador fish" within the meaning of the contemplated Act. If the "current price" differs very materially at present, so also does the quality of fish shipped direct from the Labrador Coast.

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## Dull at St. John's.

The St. John's, N. F., Trade Review says:

We have to report the dullest first week of May in the business of St. John's for many years, and all things considered, it is not to be wondered at. The seafishery has been a blank, the weather has prevented the movements of schooners along the coast, from West and South, and Bonavista and Notre Dame Bays are ice-bound at this writing. Fortunately, these conditions may not endure long. Two or three days of brisk, off-shore wind and bright sunshine, and then the starting of the whole machinery of spring supply, and preparation for the summer fishery. The Northern Bay steamers are ready to sail on their season's business, and, no doubt, the opening of the Bay system will tend to improve trade considerably.

We have made enquiries during the week on the subject of the possible size of outfit for the codfishery the coming season, and from what we can learn, we believe that there will be considerable curtailment of supplying on credit this season. On the other hand, there will be more supplies bought for straight cash than usual. Men buying on a cash basis will not take such large stocks, relying on purchasing later supplies from the proceeds of the current voyage. The usual suppliers state that the old time confidence between supplier and supplied is being undermined, and they do not feel disposed to supply anyone but their old, tried, true and dependable dealers. Under all the circumstances, they cannot be blamed for taking this position.

## To Sell the Doughty

The well known Portland fishing schooner Ella M. Doughty, which has been tied up on the westerly side of Union wharf, Portland, for more than three years, stripped of sails and having a most dilapidated appearance, will be sold by U. S. marshal sale on Saturday, May 29, pursuant to an interlocutory order of sale from U. S. District Judge Clarence Hale. Built at Kennebunkport in 1884 and measuring 75 gross tons the schooner has had a most checkered career having at one time been seized by the Canadian authorities for fishing inside the three mile limit her owners paying a heavy fine to secure her release and has also figured in several other mishaps which have cost her owners dearly. For the past 20 years she has been owned by the late Horace M. Sargent; who put her out of commission several years ago; since which time she has been lying at Union wharf awaiting a purchaser.



# TWINERS TICKLED AT MIXED FISH

## Capt. Corkum's South Shoal Fare Third Each of Large, Medium and Tink- ers—Sch. Nellie Dixon at New- port With Big Catch.

Following the arrival of steamer Lois H. Corkum at Newport yesterday with her dandy fresh mackerel trip, sch. Nellie Dixon, Capt. James Ellis, who was reported to have taken fish the same time that Capt. Corkum did, arrived at Newport with 250 barrels, or 25,000 fresh mackerel in count.

Prospects to the southward were never better as may be judged from this fare and the trip of the Corkum which took out yesterday. A total of 14,200 fish were counted out, of which 4000 were large, 3300 tinkers and the remainder were medium. The fish were taken a little before dark, Monday night, two to three miles south of South Shoal lightship.

The appearance of mixed fish at this stage of the game is a most auspicious sign, mackerel fishermen say, and Capt. Corkum and his men say that the situation looks good.

### Netters Get Fish at Edgartown.

The netters at Edgartown are making good catches off there, the Times correspondent writes today.

### Netters at Newport.

A despatch to the Times this noon, announces the arrival of a big fleet of netters at Newport today with over 31,000 fish in count. The Florida is high line with 3700 and the Joanna next with 3500.

Arrivals there are as follows:

#### Seiners.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, 25,000 fresh mackerel.

#### Netters.

Arab, 400 fresh mackerel.  
Hockmook, 1000 fresh mackerel.  
Sakuntala, 1800 fresh mackerel.  
Jackson Arthur, 1600 fresh mackerel.  
Reliance, 150 fresh mackerel.  
Klondike, 700 fresh mackerel.  
Atlantic, 900 fresh mackerel.  
Morgan, 600 fresh mackerel.  
Priscilla, 500 fresh mackerel.  
Jonna, 3500 fresh mackerel.  
Florida, 3700 fresh mackerel.  
Magnolia, 2300 fresh mackerel.  
On Time, 2000 fresh mackerel.  
Cruiser, 1500 fresh mackerel.  
W. H. Reed, 1700 fresh mackerel.  
Mettacomiet, 3100 fresh mackerel.  
Hiawatha, 1500 fresh mackerel.  
Azorian, 3000 fresh mackerel.  
Dixie, 1200 fresh mackerel.

### Caught Mackerel in Hands off Red Rock.

Fishing for mackerel off Red Rock, Lynn, without hook, line or bait is somewhat of an unusual stunt, especially when the fishermen are boys attired in street clothing, but such a stunt and successfully attempted Sunday evening about 8.30 o'clock. Early Sunday evening it was noticed that a large school of mackerel had located within a few feet of the rock. The fish could be plainly seen from the rock and two ingenious boys who were among the first discoverers stood on the edge of the rock and when a splash could be seen, one of them would dive in with his hand open. After many futile attempts by both lads, one of them succeeded in grabbing a large fish and brought it proudly to the shore. News of the novel fishing attempt soon spread along the shore walk, and hundreds of people gathered about the rail at Red Rock and watched the boys with great interest.

### The Salt Mackerel Situation.

The Fishing Gazette in its review of the salt mackerel situation says:

"If we get mackerel off our own shores this year it will surely be time for the factors in the domestic salt mackerel industry in this country to do something," said the general manager of a well-known Gloucester and New York house recently. "Only to the eye is Norway mackerel any different from the domestic variety. Of course you know that the eye is a very important factor with the fish-buying public," concluded the interviewed.

### Here's One Optimist.

Said an eminent New York authority last Wednesday: "The market is stronger. The Norway Fishermen's Union has announced a raise in prices, you know. It is all right to raise prices if they can get higher prices, but conditions are not any better and it is questionable in my mind whether the conditions justify any such raise. I know that the Norway Fishermen's Union has a great amount of Norway mackerel over here. I know just how much is here, because I made a bid for the whole lot, but I did not land them. The representative of the Norway Fishermen's Union has taken the whole lot and put them into cold storage. It was this representative of the Norwegian Union who announced that there would be a raise in prices. That

is the whole story. I don't know how much higher the new price quotations will be, as compared with those now listed in The Fishing Gazette, but they may go a great deal higher. They will doubtless raise their prices, but the question is, will they be able to get their money?"

Said another notable factor of New York: "As I understand it, there will be no fishing in faraway waters off Norway. The fishing will all be off-shore, from present indications. That means that the larger and less choice fish will go to make up the catches practically. There is no demand for these large fish, known as No. 1 and No. 2. The demand is all for Nos. 3 and 4. There is a large surplus stock of No. 5, but there is no demand for them, either."

### Looks Pretty Good.

Said a prominent New York authority last Wednesday: "There is such a variety of qualities of mackerel of the same kind that it is very hard to give an intelligent price quotation. The prospect of getting Norway mackerel is very remote this year, from all the indications that I observe. True enough, there were bothersome little fish in last year's catch, but, of course, you cannot tell what the size of fish in this year's catch may be. It is impossible to estimate the size of the fish that you are going to catch. There is no disputing the fact that the waters in which the Norwegians do their heavy fishing on mackerel are going to be pretty well tied up."

"There was a report here in New York, yesterday (Wednesday of last week), and I think it is true, that there will be no fishing over in Norway, except a little shore fishing. If that is true the Norwegians will not get many mackerel. Because of the high price of fresh fish in Norway such mackerel as are caught in fishing off shore will probably be sold as fresh fish, unless they bring a big, stiff price for salting. Of course, the holders might get the most money if they held off and sold to the highest bidder for canning, but whatever they do with their fish, the number they will get from shore fishing is comparatively small. It always is. The man who received this report here in New York was interested somewhat in the mackerel business, but, at the same time, I think he recited these facts to me purely as a matter of private information, you might say. I'm sure that this man is not trying to bull the present market. Now, on the other hand, if the war should wind up quickly the probabilities are that there will be some fish. But their good season is in July and August, anyway, and even if they had a chance to get busy before the war's wind-up the chances are that the greater part of the season will be past."

### Always Is Dull Now.

Said one other prominent New York factor: "I have never seen the mackerel trade so dull as it is at the present time."

Said one eminent New York authority recently: "There was no arrangement to hold off buying Norway mackerel on the part of the Norway mackerel buyers here. The decision not to buy was really the judgment of the buyers individually, despite the impression to the contrary harbored by Norwegians. The Scandinavians were mistaken in assuming that there was a concerted arrangement. There was really no object in our buyers purchasing mackerel of late. You can buy Norway

mackerel today cheaper than you could last September, and that allows paying all the return charges, etc. I really think if the quality had what it has been in some years the Norwegians would have got their price. A man is in a mighty fortunate position, anyway, who knows that his goods are so much better than anybody else's—that is, unless he knows they are. These Scandinavians were obsessed with the idea that their product last year was Norway mackerel, and that that was all that had to say about it. They for themselves grievously mistaken. Domestic mackerel was superior and therefore went into consumption."

Liverpool, Eng., May 15.—Shipped this week: To New York, 100 bbls. Boston, 50 bbls.

Said a recognized New York authority early in the week: "Norway mackerel on the spot is strong and higher. Some importers have refused offers for large quantities on the basis of current prices. The strong market is based on reports that the Norway fishermen cannot go into the North Sea because of war operations. Many fishermen have become so discouraged that they have given up the mackerel business and are engaging in other pursuits. The demand for Norway mackerel on the spot is reported to have been heavier than usual at this time of the year, according to Louis Meyer."

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### Newfoundland Cut Off by Ice.

Great ice floes have blocked eastern seaboard of Newfoundland. An embargo has been placed on virtually all shipping on this part of coast. The steamers plying between various eastern ports of the coast are imprisoned in harbors. The steamer Cranely, with coal from Glasgow to Botwood, was unable to break way through the ice to her destination and put into the harbor at Bay Bulls, 20 miles south of St. John's. The ice packs were so heavy off harbor that she gave up an attempt to come into St. John's.

### Fulton Market Spruces Up.

Says the Fishing Gazette: Fulton Fish Market, New York, recently taken on a bright appearance due to a desire on the part of the marketmen to have the market absolutely sanitary in every way. The first step in this direction was the installation of a new solid floor, doing away with "racks" which were in use from time the market was built, being replenished at such times as occasion required. The next step was the painting of the entire structure. Last week all the employees of the market made their appearance in uniform suits which are to be used from now on. Each employee has three changes. They are of olive green, with a hair stripe of darker color. The clothing will be laundered weekly. Some of the "bosses" have also adopted the uniform.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Imperator, A. Platt and others sailed from Canso, N. S., Monday for the Magdalen Islands. Sch. Arthur James, Capt. J. Matheson, was at Shelburne, N. Tuesday.